GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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SHORTAGE OF POLICE PERSONNEL
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the total strength of the State Police personnel in the country, State-wise;

(b) whether many posts in various State Police are lying vacant;

(c) if so, the details thereof, rank-wise and State-wise;

(d) whether the Union Government has issued any directive/guideline to the State Governments to fill up all the vacant posts;

(e) if so, the details and the reaction of the State Governments thereto alongwith the time by which such vacant posts are likely to be filled up and the funds sanctioned in this regard; and

(f) the total funds granted for improving internal security in the country during each of the last three years and the current year, State-wise?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI MULLAPPALLY RAMACHANDRAN)

(a) to (c): As per the data compiled by Bureau of Police Research & Development (BPR&D) and given in their publication "Data on Police Organisations in India", the State-wise details of sanctioned and actual strength of State Police (Civil & Armed), as on 1.1.2009, is indicated at Annexure-I. The State-wise and rank-wise sanctioned and actual strength of Police forces, as on 1.1.2009, as per the aforesaid BPR&D publication is given at Annexure-II.

(d) & (e): Even though 'Police" is a State subject as per Schedule VII to the Constitution of India, the Ministry of Home Affairs has raised its concern over the large number of vacancies in State Police Forces in the Conference of Chief Ministers held on 6.1.2009, 17.8.2009, 7.2.2010 and 1.2.2011. The recruitment to State Police Forces is done by the State Governments themselves and no funds are sanctioned by the Ministry for the purpose to States.

(f): The details of Central funds released to States during the last three years from 2008-09 to 2010-11 under Non-Plan Scheme for Modernization of State Police Forces (MPF Scheme) for supplementing the efforts of State Governments in modernising their police forces to face law and order and internal security challenges is at Annexure-III.

No funds have been released to States under the Scheme so far in current financial year.